

## Message Text

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ACTION PM-04

INFO OCT-01 AF-10 NEA-10 ISO-00 NSC-05 SP-02 SS-15  
L-03 PRS-01 CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 IGA-02 /060 W  
-----106034 280437Z /14

R 280303Z JUN 77  
FM AMEMBASSY MUSCAT  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3373  
INFO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI  
AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA  
AMEMBASSY COLOMBO  
AMEMBASSY DOHA  
AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD  
AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM  
AMEMBASSY KUWAIT  
AMEMBASSY MANAMA  
AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO  
AMEMBASSY NAIROBI  
AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI  
AMEMBASSY SANA  
AMEMBASSY TEHRAN  
AMCONSUL KARACHI  
CINCUSNAVEUR  
USINT BAGDAD  
CINCPACFLT  
COMIDEASTFOR  
SECDEF WASHDC  
JCS  
CNO

S E C R E T MUSCAT 0979

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1  
TAGS: MORG, MOPS, MU  
SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST FORCE: THE NEW FORMAT

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REF: STATE 141742

CHARGE BRIEFLY OUTLINED NEW FORMAT OF MIDDLE EAST FORCE TO  
FOREIGN MINISTRY UNDERSECRETARY YUSUF AL-ALAWI JUNE 26.  
CHARGE ASKED IF OMANGOV WOULD BE RECEPTIVE TO HAVING  
LASALLE VISIT MUSCAT ONE TIME PER YEAR FOR TWO WEEKS TO CONDUCT  
MAINTENANCE, OVER AND ABOVE TRADITIONAL NUMBER OF SHORT PORT

CALLS BY MIDEASTFOR SHIPS. ALAWI SAID ONLY THAT HIS GOVERN-  
MENT WOULD STUDY THE MATTER AND LET US KNOW. THERE WAS  
NOTHING IN HIS TONE SUGGESTING ANY DIFFICULTIES WITH THE IDEA,  
BUT HE DID NOT COMMENT SUBSTANTIVELY.  
SIZER

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## Message Attributes

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